

## CITY NEWSLETTER

August 2023

### **Calendar of Events**

City Council Meeting ~ Tuesday, August 15th ~ 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Planning Commission ~ Wednesday, August  $16^{\text{th}} \sim 6:00 \text{ pm}$  to 8:00 pm

## HAPPY TAILS DOG FESTIVAL

Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Gold Hills Sports Park 11:00 am to 4:00 pm

The goal is to provide Southern Oregon and the Rogue Valley a Dog Festival for all the surrounding communities to enjoy the common love of their pets, as well as highlighting great organizations such as the Southern Oregon Humane Society and other animal related services in our area. This event will help raise funds for the Southern Oregon Humane Society Organization and bring awareness to the public.

Planning Crew: Rose Cornejo (Southern Oregon's Best) and Melynda Cordes (Hungry Hustle Tours)

We will have the following: Event Security ~ Food vendors ~ Local vendors ~ Fun activities ~ Sponsors ~ Non-profit Organizations

Collecting \$5.00 per dog and all proceeds are going to Southern Oregon Humane Society Happy Tails will: Provide Insurance and Event Clean up!

LET'S BRING AWARENESS TO OUR WONDERFUL PARK IN GOLD HILL!



# ~ FRIENDLY REMINDER ~ Utility Rate Increases Effective July 1, 2023

The Gold Hill City Council, with recommendation from the Interim City Manager, unanimously approved a rate and fee adjustments to bolster the ability of the city to maintain existing service levels for the community's water, sewer, streets, storm drain systems and for Parks and public facilities.

Several rate adjustments and new fees will affect utility customers' monthly billing starting in July for bills that will become due on August 31<sup>st</sup>. Utility rate adjustments include the following:

Water Base fee increase from \$33 to \$35 per month.

Water consumption(usage) rates will be based on the amount of water.

0 1-400 cu ft = \$.013 (no change from current)

0 401-1200 cuff- \$.019

 $0\ 1201 + = \$.030$ 

Sewer base fee increase from \$60.64 to \$78.88 per month.

A new Transportation/Streets Fee of \$3.00/month for basic maintenance and repair of streets, sidewalks, street signs, etc.

A new Parks and Public Facilities Fee of \$3.00/month to maintain maintenance and repair of parks and public facilities (City Hall, Public Works Shop, public bathrooms, etc.

It is critical for revenues to be adjusted to match the rising costs associated with providing the essential services the community relies on from its local government. Each of these revenue categories are tracked and maintained separately to ensure they are utilized for their intended purposes and do not cross between functions, i.e., water revenue is only used for maintenance, repair and improvements to the water system, sewer revenue only supports the sewer system, etc.

The City Council is acutely aware of the impact that this has on residents and businesses in the community and is committed to ensuring that the essential services of the city are maintained and function as efficiently and effectively as possible.

### **Blue Bag Brigade**

Thank you for your continued support of the CAN DO. Your donations are greatly appreciated. Please continue to drop off your blue bags at City Hall and remember to pick up any empty bags needed.

Remember, all your donations go to fund the decorations and events for *Light Up Gold Hill 2023*.



### **MED PROJECT**

Med-Project has issued the City Hall unwanted **prepaid** medication mail-back envelopes to be distributed to residents upon request. These Unwanted medication mail-back envelopes are to be used for unwanted and/or expired medicine from residents and will contain instructions on a paper insert with each envelope. Please note, mail-back envelopes Cannot be used for pre-filled injector products or inhalers. Also, these **pre-paid** mail-back envelopes CANNOT be dropped off at City Hall, these must be mailed in with the directions provided.

Any questions, please call **1-833-633-7765** or visit: <u>www.med-project.org</u> for more information or to answer questions.